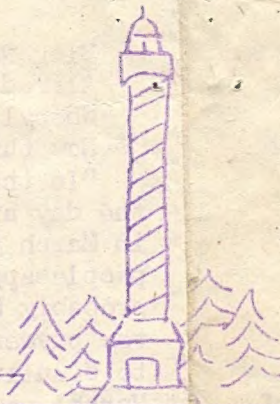


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# Column



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## ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Yes, it's soon time to be wearing the green again, that is for all loyal Irishmen. This anniversary of St. Patrick, the missionary to Ireland, is celebrated as that country's national holiday, and the shamrock is worn to commemorate its use by him as a symbol of the Trinity.

There are several tales about St. Patrick. One has to do with his chasing snakes out of Ireland. No one seems to know how he did it, but this old song expresses the thought best:

"There's ne'er a mile in Ireland's isle,  
Where noxious vermin musters,  
Where'er he put his dear forefoot, he  
Murdered them in clusters.

The toads went hop, the snakes went flop  
Hop-naste into the water,  
And the beasts committed suicide to  
Save themselves from slaughter."

"Oh, Success attend his great big fist,  
He was a saint so clever,  
He gave the snakes and toads a twist,  
And banished them forever."

## GIRL SCOUT PROGRAM HELD

Wednesday evening the Astor Girl Scouts and Brownies held a program in honor of Juliette Lowe. The program opened with the flag ceremony, salute and "God Bless America". A talk of "Forty Years of Scouting" was given, followed by a penny march.

Various troupes then presented numbers. Second grade Brownies gave a First Aid Demonstration; Third graders from Tongue Point did folk dancing; one troop presented Brownie activities; another held a fly-up ceremony and now are Girl Scouts.

Fifth graders dressed in foreign costumes and told about Scouts in other countries. One group put on a skit showing a day and a night at Camp Kiwanalong.

At the conclusion of the program a Friendship Circle was formed by all Girl Scouts and Brownies present.

## GUESS WHO??? (Fill in blanks)

and Tony describes this girl,

Yes, her hair is brown with a little curl;

Enjoys riding a bike and she goes with

Cheese and macaroni her favorite food

Really she's quite a chap when she's in the mood

Two drum sticks she uses, on the drum head she beats,

Really she whistles "Bermuda" down the street.  
(He's 5 ft. 2, 97 lbs., blue yeyes.

Melody to hear is "Bermuda" too

Kind hearted soul, just like you;

He plays on the B string, he's quite a wow

Wharfing and fishing is all he know how,

Likes to be a veterinarian when he grows up.  
(He's 5 ft. 1, 115 lbs.; to be with  
is fun;  
Eyes of blue, crew cut too.)

## SIXTH GRADE NEWS

Gloria Parker received an interesting reply from her letter to an Eskimo, Indian School in Unalakleet, Alaska. The Eskimo girl who answered the letter is in the 7th grade. Unalakleet is on the far Northern coast of Alaska. It is an Indian Eskimo town of about 650 population.

Judy Brecht received an interesting booklet made by the 6th grade girls in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The class is working on a mural of Fort Astoria in 1811.

## COMING EVENTS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday--No school. Spring Vacation.



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#### ASTOR WINS AND LOSES AT TOURNAMENT

The Astor team dropped a thriller to Knappa Wednesday afternoon at the Star of the Sea gym in the first game of the grade school basketball tournament. It was a close game all the way through the first half, which Astor led 14 to 12. Then Knappa put on a rally and won 28 to 26.

Yesterday we played Consolidated, and won 32 to 22. It was nip and tuck all the way up to the fourth quarter, and then Astor put on a rally and came out ahead.

ASTOR 25	28 KNAPPA
Thompson (4)	F Fish
Davis (3)	F Hunt (18)
Rees (4)	C Olson (2)
Turpeinen (7)	G Sanko (3)
Lindstrom	G Mark (5)

ASTOR 32	CONSOLIDATED 22
Thompson (3)	F Hartill (7)
Davis	F Olson (11)
Rees (20)	C Rea
Turpeinen (7)	G Hein (2)
Lindstrom	G Acton (3)

Astor plays Star of the Sea tonight for third place. Time 7:30 p. m. Let's all be out to support our team!

#### BAND NEWS

About 70 members of the bands from Astor, Gray and Lewis and Clark have been practicing together every morning the last two weeks from 8:15 to 9. They met in the A. G. 3rd band room and worked on selections for the basketball tournament. They played Wednesday afternoon and evening, and will play again tonight.

#### WHAT ARE "IDES OF MARCH?"

Do you know what is meant by the "Ides of March"? This question was put to several students and here are some of their answers:

G-nevise Sherrick: It's a busy month with lots of people doing lots of different things.

Dorothy Peterson: March can go fly a kite!

Diane Hansen: A good month!

Dick Rees: Basketball players.

Alfred Olson: Girls.

Sheryl Hoagland: March 15th.

Now this is what the encyclopedia says:

"In the old Roman calendar the ides was the day around the middle of each month and in March it fell on the fifteenth. Many people speak of it as a day of uneasiness probably because it is date on which income tax payments are due. When a fortune teller told Julius Caesar to 'beware the Ides of March' he meant a very definite day, and as history tells us it was the day that Julius Caesar was assassinated."

#### ?? FROM HERE 'N THERE ??

It seems that a Mohawk Indian has invaded the seventh grade. We wonder if he is war-like, like the rest of his tribe, or is he one of these peaceful people that doesn't ever do anything wrong?

We never knew we had a Red Skin among us, but that hair cut certainly gave him away. However, if he gets too war-like, we can always send him back to his reservation.

#### WE WONDER??????????

From what room all the long faces come?  
 Why some people go up to High School just out of curiosity?  
 Why all the doors are locked in the Home Ec Wednesday and Thursday?  
 Where all the airplanes come from?  
 Why none of the girls wear lettermen's sweaters anymore?  
 Why Dick Rees never takes a hint?

The class was asked to write a short composition on baseball. One paper turned out to be very short. It read, "Rain. No game."

#### READ THIS OUT LOUD

O, MLE, what XTC  
 I always feel when UTC,  
 I used to rave of LN's eyes,  
 4 LC I gave countless sighs,  
 4 KT, 2, and LNR,  
 I was a keen competitor,  
 But each now's a non-ITT,  
 4 U XL them all UC.

COMING MARCH 25th --- An assembly by Mr. & Mrs. Morgan. "Adventures Down The Pan-Am Highway."

HAVE A NICE VACATION!